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#### **AMENDMENT B WITH RCE**

Dear Sir:

This Amendment is being filed in response to the Final Action mailed January 10, 2003.

A Request for a Continued Examination (RCE) and a Petition for Two-Month Extension of Time accompanies this Amendment.

Please amend the Application as follows:

## IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend claims 26-31 to read as follows:

26. (Amended) A lithographic printing plate, comprising:

an aluminum plate having a surface covered at least in part with a coating, wherein a part of said coating defines an image by insolubility of said part in a developer, wherein said insoluble part contains a higher concentration of alkaline materials than the soluble part of said coating, and wherein said alkaline materials are responsible for changes in solubility of said coatings.



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